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MANY MILLIONS SPENT ON YANKEE TURF IN ONE YEAR

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Prosperity Remarkable, Even
With Sport Barred in Several
Western States—Barney
Schrieber Leading
Winning Owners
in California.

NEW YORK, March 17.—The remarkable prosperity of the turf in America last year, even with the sport barred in several of the Western States, is shown in the advance sheets of Goodwin's Official Turf Guide. The amount of money distributed to horsemen in the United States and Canada, exclusive of the value of cups and plates, was \$5,477,552. Had there been racing at Chicago and St. Louis on the old lines probably \$1,000,000 would have been added to this amount. According to the figures compiled for the Guide, the Brighton Beach Racing Association in twenty-eight days of sport, gave away \$335,456 which included \$35,900 in second and third money not guaranteed. The Brooklyn Jockey Club in thirty days racing, distributed \$330,165, 102 races being run at Gravesend. The Coney Island Jockey Club, also with thirty days, handed out \$371,200 to successful owners who took part in 189 events, including one worth \$35,700, two of \$25,000 each, three of \$20,000 each, one of \$17,285, one of \$15,000, one of \$12,675, one of \$12,425, one of \$10,000, two of \$8,000, thirty-six of \$1,200, sixty-four of \$1,000 and fifteen of \$500 each.

How It Went.

The Westchester racing Association, which enjoyed thirty days at Belmont Park, distributed \$375,000 in 189 races, the most valuable one being for \$15,425. In 122 races at Aqueduct the Queens County Jockey Club paid out \$125,560, the richest event being worth \$15,700. At Jamaica, the Metropolitan Jockey Club gave \$129,500 to owners of jockeys and placed horses in 188 races. At Saratoga \$233,540 went to successful horsemen in 183 events, the most valuable being a \$50,000 stake. The Washington Jockey Club cut up \$113,550 among owners in 96 races, while Providence got rid of \$49,600 and Buffalo \$35,320. It is also shown that out of a total of 7,763 races on the flat more than 5,500 were at distances of one mile and under. There were 37 cross country events, which showed an increase in this branch of the turf's popularity. The magnitude of the sport in this State alone is well illustrated by these figures. Owners and breeders would be in dire straits if the elements of the sport should manage to score a triumph at Albany.

AMERICAN TEAM IN OLYMPIC GAMES

Will Sail From New York on
March 31, Arriving at Athens
on April 16.

NEW YORK, March 17.—The American team will sail from New York on March 31, arriving at Athens on April 16, which will give a week at the track before the competitions, including trainers and athletes, the team will consist of thirty men, the complete list being as follows:

One hundred metre run—Archibald Hall, Milwaukee Athletic Club; W. D. Eaton, Cambridge Gymnasium; G. H. Querry, Young Men's Christian Association, New Orleans, and W. A. Schick, Harvard.

Four hundred metre run—H. V. Valentine, and C. C. Bacon, Irish-American Athletic Association.

Fifteen hundred metre run—J. P. Sullivan, Irish-American Athletic Club, and G. P. Bonham, Irish American Athletic Club.

Five mile run—G. P. Bonham, Irish-American Athletic Club.

Marathon race, forty-two kilometres, Marathon to Athens, on the road—J. J. Forshaw, Missouri Athletic Club; J. Fowler, Cambridgeport Gymnasium; Harvey Conn, Irish-American Athletic Association; M. Spring, Pastime Athletic Club, and W. Frank, Irish-American Athletic Club.

Standard broad jump—Ray Ewry.

One hundred ten metre hurdle—Hugo E. Hughes, Chicago Athletic Association, and R. J. Leavitt, Williams College.

Pentathlon—Hartley J. Sheridan, Irish-American Athletic Club, and Ellery H. Clarke, Boston Athletic Association.

Running broad jump—Hugo Friend and Meyer Prinstein, New York Athletic Club.

Hop, skip and jump—Meyer Prinstein, High Jump—H. W. Kerrigan, Portland Ore.

Pole vault—E. B. Glover, Chicago Athletic Club.

Weights—Richard Sheldon and James Mitchell.

Swimming (team)—C. M. Daniels, Mariano Schwartz, J. W. Spencer, and H. J. Barnham.

What Barney Did for It.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Barney Schrieber is the leading winning owner in California, having cleaned up \$50,000 so far at Oakland and the other tracks on the Coast. W. H. Jennings stands second on the list, with a trifling under \$20,000. Jennings, by the way, has released Bill Knapp, who has been riding for him all winter, as the jockey has signed a contract to fulfill in Knapp's place Jennings has engaged a sensational colored jockey named L. Williams, who will come East. It is said that Williams bids fair to be the find of the winter season, and that he will out a big figure on the metropolitan circuit. Jennings says he will start either Grizzle or San Nicholas, possibly both, in the Carter Handicap at Aqueduct and that Proper will be pointed for the Brooklyn Handicap at Gravesend.

DEFIED BY STUDENTS.



While the president of Columbia University is sojourning in the South the students of the school, in defiance of his edict against foot-ball, have organized an emergency team and elected a captain.

PORTSMOUTH WILL HAVE A RATTLING GOOD TEAM

Manager Landgraf Has Signed
Number of Very Fast Ball
Players.

Following is the list of players signed by Manager Landgraf up to date for the Portsmouth club. Manager Landgraf has selected the men with great care, and he will be surprised if there are any "dead ones" in the bunch:

Catchers.

Joseph O'Halloran, of Philadelphia, a lively, plucky youngster, who has made quite a record with Pennsylvania teams. He is twenty-two years old, has a good whip, and is also a good batter.

John McDonough, of Buffalo, N. Y., a stocky built lad, who can "hit 'em where they ain't," and who can hold his own with the best of them behind the bat. McDonough made a great record with Bradford, Pa., and Geneva, O., last season.

James Craig, of Baltimore, is another in whom Manager Landgraf places great faith. "Jimmy" made good in the W. N. Y. League last season, and this season, being a student at the Baltimore Medical College, will do the backstop work for his college team until April 27th, when he will join Portsmouth.

Pitchers.

Manager Landgraf thinks he has a star in John A. McAleer, of Boston. McAleer is a graduate of Harvard University, and was one of the mainstays of the Cambridge nine during his college career. Jack Chesbro, who coached Harvard, says that McAleer is as good as Clarkson, and has the making of another Mathewson. "Mac" is twenty-eight years old, six feet tall and weighs 175 pounds.

Walter Fenske is another mighty good slabman, and he made a sensational record with the Oswego, N. Y., club last season.

Billy Champin is a youngster who is pretty husky, standing five feet nine inches in height and weighing 175 pounds. His home is in Paterson, N. J., and last season he spent them over the "pan" for the Madison, N. Y., club.

S. N. Zepaski is a left-hander from Navarre, Ohio, and his curves are as hard to solve as his name is to pronounce. He is a Russian, and known as the "Ohio Terror." He made a good record for the Zanesville, Ohio, club last season. "This former subject of the Romanoff" is six feet three inches tall and weighs 150 pounds.

Billy Lloyd is another left-hander who is expected to make good. He is a little fellow, and did good work in the G. N. Y. League last season. "Bil" is also on Manager Landgraf's claim list.

First base has three applicants: Harry Davis, of Washington, D. C., a sure man, and his record in the Eastern Shore League is A-1.

William Fraley is another who can play the outfield as well. Fraley made a good reputation with the Hanover, Pa., club last season.

Manager Landgraf thinks that he will have one of the heaviest hitters in the league in Joe Nickles. Joe is a veteran and played under Manager Landgraf at Allentown, Pa., a few seasons ago. Besides being a corking good first sacker, he is also a brilliant outfielder. Joe is a big, un-bix feet, weighs 175. His record in the Buffalo, Eastern League; New York National League, and with Reading, Scranton and Chambersburg, Pa., Leagues. He was with New York in 1902 for a short time.

On second base will be stationed the veteran, Harry O'Neil, for several seasons in the New England League, and also with Wilmington, N. C., a few years ago.

Jim McCormack, another veteran, will be on short, doing the same good work that made him famous in the New York League for three seasons, 1901, 1902 and 1903, and his record is an open book. In 1904 he was with Poughkeepsie champions of the Hudson River League, and last season with the fast Cotting, N. Y., Club.



MANAGER E. C. LANDGRAF.

Jim is always in shape, and a thorough gentleman at all times.

Third base will be looked after by that hustling youngster, Dan Strebel, who last season played ninety-two games at third for the Condorsport Club, Interstate League champions. Around the Interstate circuit Strebel is regarded as a

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BRUSH, BASEBALL DICTATOR, WOULD CRUSH AMERICANS

Planning to Wipe Out
All Opposition to
the Giants.

PUT OTHER LEAGUES
OUT OF BUSINESS

Schemes of John D. Rockefeller of
Base-Ball Causes Heated
Argument and Are Made
Occasion for Several
Wagers—How
Giants Fare.

By GEORGE MCCORMICK.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., March 17.—I believe it was John D. Rockefeller who was responsible for the saying that competition is the life of trade. I may be wrong or rather misinformed, and I do not know that he invited competition, and when his competitors did not come in why he took them in. Down here in Birmingham there is a prevailing belief that John T. Brush is the Rockefeller of base-ball. In a controversy between a number of prominent sporting men here last night, I listened to an argument on the base-ball situation that, would permit of publishing it in detail, would make interesting reading for Gotham fans.

During the heat of the argument one of the men who was there with his bank rolled, slapped the goods on the bar and offered a wager. All he possessed, that the National League would within two years drive the American League out of business. Then the fun began. Twenty voices were raised at once in defense of the American League and the champion of the National's had a few men who sided with him.

Rockefeller of Base-Ball.

When quiet was finally restored and the original spokesman was allowed the floor he said:

"This fellow John T. Brush is the Rockefeller of baseball. He tried to do the American League when the latter first started, but he was forced to give way because he found the new league had a bunch of money behind it. He continued to fight the new league, not in the open, but by a system. That system was the organizing of a championship team in New York city. Two years ago he got in bad because he refused to play the Highlanders if they won the pennant in the American League race. Everybody knows that Griffith's team lost the championship by one game. Old Brush was roasted good and proper, but he had his revenge last year when the Giants not only won the pennant for the second time, but beat the Athletics for the world's championship.

"The Highlanders finished very badly and, of course, lost prestige. There's where John T. Brush got in a heat.

Brush's Plan.

"Now let me tell you, Brush figures that the Giants will again win the pennant in the National League race this year. I see by the New York papers that he is going to delay the world's pennant raising until June, when all the prominent baseball men in the United States will be invited to attend as the guests of the New York club to take part in the ceremonies. That's more clever work on his part.

"Suppose the Giants again win the National League pennant, the Highlanders, to get any kind of standing, would have to win the American League championship. Then suppose, in the play-off

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MIDGET JOCKEY BROKE RECORD



JOCKEY RADTKE UP.

Herman Radtke, a mite of a boy and a jockey by trade, caused a sensation in American racing circles unparalleled in the history of the turf. He broke the world's record for winning mounts in one week, the bookmakers at Hot Springs, Ark., where he had been riding, threatened to stop business unless he was prevented from riding, and, in short, this lad in knee-breeches caused a disruption in racing circles because of his skill.

In one day he won four races and by so doing broke all records for winning mounts in a week. The record first belonged to Tod Sloan, who rode eighteen winners in one week, and then to Eugene Hildebrand, who rode twenty. Radtke rode twenty-one.

His success on this occasion fittingly followed a wall of the bookmakers, who, before he had mounted a horse in his first race, went in a body to the track managers and appealed to them to use every influence in their power to secure additional riders. In the event of this failing, the bookmakers declared they would be forced out of business.

HOPPE, BILLIARD WIZARD, TO PLAY IN GREAT MATCH

Youthful Champion to Meet Geo.
Slossom at Madison Square
Garden.

NEW YORK, March 17.—All arrangements have been made for the International Billiard Tournament for the championship at 18-inch balk line, two shots in, which will be held, beginning April 24th, in Madison Square Garden. The first match of the tournament, however, between the world's champion, Willie Hoppe and George Slossom will be played in Grand Central Palace, as there is not room enough in the concert hall of the Garden to accommodate the crowds who have already applied for seats.

The other matches in which Hoppe and Slossom will play will take place in the Garden.

The tournament will be under the auspices of the Brunswick-Balke-Coleman Co., and the conditions governing it is as follows:

The tournament will be open to all players, subject to following conditions: The company which promotes the tournament will donate \$5,000 as prize money, and a suitable trophy, emblematic of the championship at 18-inch balk line, two shots in.

An entrance fee of \$250 must accompany each entry.

The tournament to be limited to seven players. In case of more than seven entries, a preliminary tournament will be played to determine the entries of the final tournament.

Each contestant will be required to play every other contestant entered in the tournament, and each game shall consist of 500 point up, and be played under the established rules governing



WILLIE HOPPE.

the 18-inch balkline game, two shots in. All ties must be played off.

The winner of the tournament will become the holder of the trophy, subject to challenge under the rules governing such championship.

The prize money and the entrance fees to be divided among the contestants finishing in the order named, as follows: First, 40 per cent; second, 25 per cent; third, 15 per cent; fourth, 12 per cent; fifth, 8 per cent.

Entries close March 20th.

Any question of dispute between the contestants during the tournament, or in connection with any match games thereafter, shall be decided by the referees of the trophy, their decision in all matters of dispute to be final.

BACK-STOP MAY NEVER PLAY AGAIN

Louis Criger, Best of His Class,
Wasting Away From Spinal
Troubles.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., March 17.—Louis Criger, of the Boston Americans, probably the best catcher in the profession, who is ill here, may never play ball again. Spinal trouble, it is said, is the cause of his present condition, which is pitiable.

Criger has wasted away so that he weighs a trifle more than 120 pounds, and can hardly move around. The physicians who are attending him, say that he may recover, but from present indications it will be out of the question for him to do a Boston uniform for a long time to come, if ever again.

Criger's loss will mean that the Bostonians will be hard up for an experienced backstop. He handled such players as Young, Dineen, Gibson, and Tannehill as Charles Farrell, the veteran, has just gone into the hotel business at Marlboro, Mass., and says he is through with baseball.

Criger himself is hopeful that he will be able to play, but at the start of the season the team will have to depend on new material.

Tour South Africa.

LONDON, March 17.—An important addition to the national athletic features is likely to be made in the form of a tour in South Africa of a team representing the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.

There are good prospects of the tour taking place, and the team, which would be selected after the Oxford and Cambridge sports, would leave England at the end of June, and return early in October, having meetings at Bloemfontein, Johannesburg, Durban, Port Elizabeth, Kimberley, and Capetown.

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RANKS FULL FOR FILLY STAKES ON TRACK THIS YEAR

Perverse Strong Candidate
for the Queen of
Three Year Olds.

SYSONBY AND ARTFUL
MEET IN BIG RACES

Notwithstanding Loss of Yankee
Consul, Rainey is Still Aspiring,
and Has Given Train-
er Carte Blanche—En-
tries in Leading
Events.

NEW YORK, March 17.—There are five filly stakes run during the season on the big jockey club tracks that seldom fail to decisively crown the queen of the 3-year-old division. They are the Ladies of Belmont Park, Gazelle at Gravesend, Mermald at Sheepshead Bay, Oaks at Brighton and the Alabama at Saratoga.

Last season there was a question as to whether Tradition was the real queen of the turf, but it was an exception, for, by reason of the death of the late William C. Whitney, his entries were void, and Artful, winner of the futurity of 1904, and her companion, Tanya, were not eligible. However, there is no doubt that Tradition easily held the other misfits of her age perfectly safe. She won the Gazelle, Mermald, Oaks and the Alabama, not starting in the Ladies, which was won by Flinders.

In 1904 Beldame took all of the stakes named with the exception of the Brighton Oaks, she having been shipped to Saratoga at that time, and the prize went to Hamburg Belle.

Promising Material.

This season there is some particularly promising material in the 3-year-old filly ranks, and there does not seem to be any one of the many eligibles standing out so prominently as to venture the prediction that all five of them would go to one filly.

Of those entered, Perverse, on what she accomplished in her 2-year-old season, though denied the chance in several of the engagements that were made before the death of Mr. Whitney, seems to be best. In her first year she was only beaten twice.

The first time she was beaten she finished second to Tangle at Saratoga, and her next effort was to run third in the Belles. She easily won the Nursery, Matron and Consolation, and is now in retirement after that winning. This filly is a full sister to that sterling racehorse Stawart, and she is of quality that champions are made.

Brookdale Nymph is her companion in some of the stakes, and, perhaps, a filly that has never started, is named to beat them both company in the running of the Alabama, the last of the series. Brookdale Nymph, though she did not show anything like the quality of Perverse last year, won the Tangle del Paso from a good field, and early in the season she hung out a new track record for five and a half furlongs at Brighton Beach, when she covered the distance in 1:06.

Flip Flip in Again.

J. A. Bennett's Flip Flip is another that at one time was particularly promising last year, and she may upset calculations should she come back to the races in any manner improved over her form of last year. She won the Critters, the male, Beldame and the Grand Consolation. In the running of the Futurity, after being all but left at the post, she ran a most impressive race, and was a close fourth at the finish, after overcoming many difficulties.

Another of the good ones of last season that is well to hear in mind. She will race in the colors of W. Harry Brown this year. Her best race last year was when she conceded five pounds to as good a one as Running Water, and, with five pounds up, was just beaten in a short head for the Great Filly Stakes. She won the Astoria with ridiculous ease, and was also winner of the Senorita stakes.

Running Water and Single Shot, the Woolford Clay pair, have not been entered in the early filly stakes, but are never started. Bolivar, another that has never faced the barrier, is also named to wear the Keene colors in the running of the Alabama. Of those that have shown, Early and Offen, though she only won one race—her first start—is possibly the most notable race horse of last year when she was a good second to Perverse in the running of the Matron. Ballotta only escaped from the mad dash in the fall, after making repeated efforts through the season.

Cousin Eryn, William Keene's dependance, is another that attracted some attention last year, and her presence in the filly stakes may trouble some of the other fashionable ones a little. She won the Venus stakes very handsly last season, and in the Spinaway showed a flight of speed that was little less than phenomenal, though she could not last the journey.

Edna Jackson will carry the colors of Newton Benington. This filly is a full sister to Reliance, and her defeat of Running Water in the Spinaway was perhaps her best race last season. She also won the Venus from an excellent field.

New Entries.

Bella of Piquet is the entry of H. McCarter, Potter, and she is still a maiden, though some of her races were excellent ones. She showed a very decided liking for the grass course last season, and in both the Partridge and the Daisy she was a good second, in the

Gentlemen Jack Contident; Will Meet Burns or Anybody

Says He Will Have to Shut
Cooly Up Unless He Stops
Talking.

WILLING TO MEET RYAN
FOR MIDDLE-WEIGHT TITLE

MILWAUKEE, WIS., March 17.—Jack O'Brien the middleweight champion, and also contender for the heavy weight title, says in a letter to a friend here that he would like nothing better than a chance to get Fred Cooley into the ring in a regular six round bout, just to prove that the knockdown at Toledo was an accident and nothing more.

"Why, that fellow Cooley no more could stand ten rounds with me than he could fly," said Jack, "and if he does no keep quiet, I will be compelled to take him on in a short round contest just to show him how little he knows about the fine points of the game. He is a strong fellow, I will admit, and liable to put any one down if given the chance, but, as I said, before he took me unaware and scored a knockdown when I never dreamed of him taking advantage of our friendly set-to. I see where he wants to fight me twenty rounds. Well all I can say is that it would not take twenty, or half that number of rounds, to demonstrate my superiority over him. I want to meet Tommy Ryan for the middle weight title, which I hold now, and then I will take on Tommy Burns if he is anxious for a bout. In the meantime I would not mind laying off my theatrical engagements just long enough to convince Mr. Cooley that he is not a champion."



GENTLEMAN JACK O'BRIEN.

Tommy, However, Takes Himself
Very Seriously and Issues
High-Sounding Ultimatum.

THINKS O'BRIEN WON'T BE
ABLE TO STAND HIS LICKS

DETROIT, MICH., March 17.—Tommy Burns is taking himself seriously. When he speaks of himself, it is heavyweight championship of the world. By outpointing Marvin Hart Burns believes he is entitled to the belt put aside by Jeffries.

This is how seriously Burns takes himself:

"Yes, I appreciate the fact that I am champion, but it is only the attainment which I have fondly hoped and sought since I first entered the ring, and I accept the situation with the belief that I accomplished my ambition by hard knocks and systematic efforts, and I propose to defend my title as long as worthy opponents are in existence.

"I have taken up a vaudeville career of fifteen weeks. Afterwards I expect to give attention to any challenges that may be in waiting and will give all the heavens a chance of my scalp.

"I prefer now to take on Jack O'Brien, and believe that I will be able to defeat him more easily than I beat Hart. I saw the bout between Hart and O'Brien in Philadelphia, and am sincere in the statement that O'Brien was very fortunate to stay the limit.

"O'Brien cannot in my opinion, take the punishment that Hart stood from me, and I know that O'Brien's tender spot is in his stomach. He cannot fight the battle put up by Hart and stand for the stomach lacing the Kentuckian took.

"I shall issue no challenge. I am champion and those who want to meet me must come to me."